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21 June. At 0800, unloading of about 8 x 100-mm AT guns, about 8 prime movers and 10 trucks. The shipment may have included additional materiel. 5

5. After 1000 on 14 June, approximately 40 new six-wheel armored personnel carriers with escorting detail were unloaded at the Haldensleben railroad station. 3

6. On 25 June, 4 x 85-mm AA guns, 8 trucks and approximately 40 soldiers from the Flak Kaserne (2002) were loaded at the Brandenburg-Altstadt railroad station.6 On 27 June, 4 x 203-mm howitzers, 8 prime movers with T-34 chassis and 6 trucks from Generalfeldzeugmeister Kaserne (2001) were entrained. 7

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